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Mr. K. V. R. Swami :—"May I know from the hon. the Minister for Education how far is this school from the hostel ?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—"Notice, Sir."

Working hours, pay, etc., of Vernacular Pandits in the Lady Willingdon College.

973 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the number of periods per week the Sanskrit, Tamil and Telugu Pandits and the Music teacher, teach on the average in the Lady Willingdon College ;

(b) the classes they take ; and

(c) the scale of pay on which they are respectively employed, their length of service and the actual pay they are drawing now ?

A.—The scale of pay sanctioned for the three pandits is Rs. 40—2—50 each a month. The post of music teacher is included in the cadre of secondary grade teachers, women's branch, which carries a pay of Rs. 45—3—90 with a selection grade on Rs. 100 for 20 per cent of the cadre. The Government have no information on the other points but have called for it.

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—"May I ask the Minister for Education whether these pandits are whole-time men or part-time men ?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—"They are whole-time pandits."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—"If they are whole-time pandits, may I know why they are paid such a small salary as Rs. 40 a month ?"

Facilities for educational training in South Kanara district.

*974 Q.—Mr. K. R. Karant : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the percentage of trained teachers in the elementary schools in South Kanara ;

(b) the number of existing training schools in the district for the various grades and their capacity ;

(c) the number of applications received during each of the last three years for training in the said schools gradewar and the number selected out of each ;

(d) what steps, if any, the Government propose to take in the matter of providing additional facilities ; and

(e) whether Government have any proposals under consideration to give aid to private schools that train teachers ?

A.—(a) On the 31st March 1928 the percentage of trained teachers to the total number of teachers in elementary schools for boys in the South Kanara district was 47 and in elementary schools for girls 98.